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Chairman Gilkeson Is Hard at Work on State Campaign Details.

BRIGHT CONGRESSIONAL OUTLOOK

The State Committee Is Confident of Gaining Seven Congressional Votes for Protection, and Would Not Be Surprised if the People Should Make It Nine—The Result in Maine Puts Pennsylvania on Her Honor.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.
PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14.—CHAIRMAN GILKESON and a force of assistants are busily engaged at the Pennsylvania state headquarters in this city gathering up the lines of battle. The detailed work usually looked after by the state committee is being performed this year with as much care as if the issues were in doubt. "We have one ambition here," said the Philadelphia correspondent today, "and that is to do as well, proportionally, in Pennsylvania next November by General Hastings as we did in Maine last year. We object to one-corner Pine tree state sealings or glory as the banner home of Pennsylvania. We want to be known as the state that has done for Tom Reed. We object to one-corner Pine tree state sealings or glory as the banner home of Pennsylvania. We want to be known as the state that has done for Tom Reed. We object to one-corner Pine tree state sealings or glory as the banner home of Pennsylvania. We want to be known as the state that has done for Tom Reed."

The committee is especially interested in the various congressional fights. The fact that the present delegation of Pennsylvania congressmen at Washington contains ten Democrats, whereas, in elections which have occurred since these congressmen were chosen, all but three of these ten districts have gone Republican, offers encouragement to the hope that a substantial gain can yet be made. There are four Democratic districts that are quite sure to be reclaimed this fall. These are the Twelfth, in which Hines' plurality of 1,462 in 1892 was last February converted to a Republican plurality of 3,453 for Grow; the Thirteenth, in which James B. Reilly's plurality of 1,901 has divided upon its place is taken by a Republican excess of 1,341; the Twenty-fourth, where Ship's former plurality of 1,253 must face a change of heart that makes Acheson's visible majority easily 4,000; and the Twenty-sixth, where Sibley's majority of 3,387 has since been transformed into a Republican balance of 5,913.

WHERE THE FIGHTS ARE.
These four districts may be regarded as safely won over to the Republican column. The committee will not forget to keep an eye on them; but it will reserve its heavy guns for more formidable engagements. Neither is there a single Republican district in the state which the committee fears it may not be able to hold by increased majorities. The Eleventh, by Mr. Scranton's renomination, followed by the pitting of a weak protectionist Democrat against him, has given the committee to understand that Lackawanna will easily return a Republican plurality of 3,000.

One of those districts in which the battle will rage most fiercely is the Eighth, where Howard Mutchler's defeat, the nomination of an unknown man named Hart, and the bold John E. Drinkhouse, of Northampton, combine to give the Republicans an excellent fighting chance. They will name as their candidate ex-Attorney General Kirkpatrick, of Easton, and will need to gain only 1,000 Democratic votes to lead the district in the protection campaign. Two years ago Mutchler carried it by 6,244. In the Ninth, the Republicans have 10,938 plurality to overcome, upon the basis of the vote two years ago; or 3,934 as compared with the vote cast last February for Grow. Representative Erdman will in all probability be re-elected by Dr. Jewett, of Trenton, who, personally popular and politically irreprescible, Auditor General Gregg was brought to take this nomination, but his refusal does not discourage the Republican leaders. They do not exactly count on carrying the Ninth, but they will make a fight for it, and they will not be surprised to see it come their way.

TO SHIRLEY BUCKALEW.
The next debatable territory is the Seventeenth. Two years ago Mr. Wolverton carried this district for the Democrats by 5,308. Mr. Wolverton, however, is a more popular man than is Charles R. Buckalew, who has been nominated to succeed him. Mr. Wolverton had a united party at his back. Mr. Buckalew, with all his prestige as an ex-senator of the United States, had to fight like a Trojan to get the nomination and he only succeeded after seventy ballots had been taken. Upon the basis of Mr. Grow's vote, this district is Republican by 145 plurality. These figures are more likely to increase than to decrease in November. In the Nineteenth, the Democrats have turned Belthover down in favor of an unpopular man named Strubinger of Adams. Colonel Stahl, Strubinger's Republican opponent, is an energetic campaigner, and a man whom the people admire. The district's 5,758 Democratic plurality in 1892 fell to 541 in the spring of 1894; and will, it is believed, disappear altogether Nov. 6.

There remain two other good fighting grounds, of which the Twenty-eighth district looks particularly hopeful. Representative Kribbe carried it two years ago by 4,092 plurality. But to and behold! Grow last year overturned this Democratic excess in favor of a Republican plurality of 1,892; and, when General Hastings running for governor, his home county of Centre and nearly adjoining county of Clearfield carried this fall to vote so as to raise the district high and dry out of Democratic control. The Democratic candidate, Mr. Aaron, of Centre, is unknown and not particularly strong. He is

OPINION IN A
FAMOUS CASE

The United States Courts Decide in Favor of the Scrantons.

THEIR BOND DEAL WAS LEGAL

The Decision of Judge Acheson Is Affirmed in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals—Judge Green Holds That the William Walker Scranton and Walter Scranton Had a Perfect Right to Sell Their Time, Experience and Ability Under Existing Circumstances and Were Entitled to the Bonds in Question.
Summing the situation up, it looks as if the Democrats, after next November, would not have more than three members in the Pennsylvania delegation at Washington, with the chances even for a plurality of this number to one. The Republican party needs a gain of 53 in order to control the organization of the Fifty-fourth congress. If in Pennsylvania's 32 members the Republicans should gain 7, the same ratio throughout the country would give them the next national house by a plurality of 25. If, however, there should be a gain of 9 members in this state—and it really looks as if this were not an improbable conjecture—the same ratio would give Republicans 44 plurality in congress.

FIREMEN DELIBERATE

Resolution Offered to Provide a Fund for Lehigh Valley Men Out of Work.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 14.—At the morning session of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, the committee on welfare of the order began to make its report which will probably occupy the time of the convention this afternoon. The committee introduced a resolution which will probably be adopted, providing for support of the idle Lehigh Valley firemen, who have been out of work since the strike last winter. The resolution recommends the levying of an assessment of 50 cents upon each of the 26,000 and more members of the brotherhood, which would raise a fund sufficient to pay expenses of the firemen out of employment on the Lehigh Valley amounting to \$50 a month for at least six months. This resolution was discussed during most of the morning session, and will be taken up again this afternoon. The sentiment of the convention favors its passage.

COLORED PEOPLE'S CAMP MEETING.

Day of Song and Preaching at Laurel Hill Park.

One of to-morrow's attractions will be the colored people's camp meeting and jubilee singing of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, of Montrose, at Laurel Hill Park.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS NOTES.

An odd disease makes cattle blind and cripples a county, Ohio.

Another dry carbolic acid gas well has been discovered at Saratoga, N. Y.

In the recent election thirty-eight Arkansas counties voted "no license."

Chicago's fire boat sprang a leak and sank in the storm-tossed harbor. Her crew were rescued.

Ex-convict David, wife murderer, will be shot at Provo, Utah, as he prefers shooting to hanging.

Of 2,000 striking carpenters in New York, all but 250 have won their fight against the "limping" system.

The convicted wife murderer, Frank A. Kurtz, cut his wrist with glass in Chicago jail, but failed to bleed to death.

The late John A. Logan's sister, Mrs. Ann Rogers, took morphine in a fit of despondency at Murphysboro, Ill.

A four-year sentence was imposed on Rev. Pierce Anderson, who pleaded guilty as a horse thief at Hermann, Mo.

Chicago police scout the story that auditors are holding missing Dr. Conklin, of Cassopolis, Mich., for a ransom.

Mr. Saylor has again found it necessary to say that he knows nothing of the probability of his being made a cardinal.

Painter Peter Baltzer and Bricklayer John Paimbald were drowned by the upsetting of their boat in Cut Off lake, N. H.

Millionsaire Joe de Lavergne, of Santa Cruz, will \$600,000 to found an asylum for the blind, dumb, lame, paralytic and aged.

Senator Peffer failed to appear for joint debate at Fort Scott, Kan., with David Overmyer, Democratic candidate for governor.

After election for his eighth consecutive term as county treasurer at Magallowa, Ark., T. T. Smith has been indicted for embezzling \$2,000.

United States Marshal Vinson and three deputies have been arrested in West Virginia for the murder of John Frizze at the Wayne political meeting.

E. H. Dennison, of Olean, N. Y., grand treasurer of the Select Knights, who is over \$1,000 short in his accounts, died or committed suicide at Buffalo, N. Y.

George N. Hanson, president of the Citizens' Bank and Trust company, at Chattanooga, Tenn., was acquitted of the murder of J. B. West (for betrayal of his wife) in an elevator in February last.

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